I ORTENTS IN THE HEAVENS.

HEV. MR. MASON ON "STORM CEN-TERS OF CIVILIZATION."

The Church and the Liquor Traffic Considered-National and State Responsibility-Views of Medical Men on the Evils of Intemperance-Liquor and Criminal Statistics—The Taxpayer—Saloon Politics.

"Portents in the Heavens" was the subject of Rev. J. H. Mason's address at the First Baptist church last evening. This was the sixth in the series on "Storm Centers of Civilization." Mr. Mason repeated the request that any person interested in the settlement of the liquor question would send in in ingmen of Great Britain and Ireland writing an answer to this question: "What is your remedy for the saloon, and what three reasons can you give ger. The man of wealth and the bril-for your faith?" These answers will be liant professional man who avoids the considered in the last address of the course, which will be given April 21. A summary of last night's address

God writes a very plain hand. It is liquor traffic. Publius Syrus says: Wine has drowned more than the sea." vine, If thou hast no name to be known by let us call the devil." Sol-cmon says: "Wine is the mocker." The Almighty says: "No drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God." The state of Connecticut says: "Our great industry of drunkard-making must not be seriously disturbed." The county commission gays: "Times are hard for the drunkard manufacturers; we stimulate the trade a little; the cost of li-censes shall be out down." The city of New Haven says: "Let us go on putting in men's mouths the enemy which shall first steal away their brains, and then their souls." The United States government says: "We need money: rum pays well; let the business go on. And the Almighty continues to say: 'No drunkard shall inherit the king-

When a city, state or nation encourages a business which has in it the omise and potency of despair in this life and (on God's own word) of despair in the next life, there are potents in the heavens.

We are getting some pretty plain lessons just now. The thinking men of Germany are becoming aroused as never before. The eminent Dr. Adolph Strumpell before a convention of German nationalists and physicians declares that the effect of alcoholic poisoning is like that of lead poisoning, being cumulative though imperceptibly so, and at last ending in sudden disaster, when the system is saturated with the poison. A distinct revolt against beer drinking, he tells us, is rising even in manifesto against the liquor traffic has tremor of apprehension.

been sent broadcast by John Burns, the It would be a daring thing to say organisations in Great Britain.

that deprayed man, rum played its important and not unexpected part. In tragedy in a Hill street saloon some months ago. While you were reading of that came the startling tidings that a man had been fatally stabbed by another within a few blocks of this church. The quarrel began in a game played "for the drinks" in a saloon. And while you were reading of that came ably fatal sh case at the hands of a drunken brakeman. Here are three cases of murder in one little city, two of them committed and the third brought to our attention in a single week. And in every one of

them, rum played its part. To go no further than the very lowest consideration, let us ask the taxpayer what he thinks of it? Of course we do not ask for sentiment: but as a mere money-making operation, how will the account stand, say, by the time these three men have had their expensive trials and gone to their doom? Are we making large money in this town out of the liquor business? Or to revive the question of three weeks ago: "Do we need more saloons in New Haven?" Of course the answer will still be in the affirmative. The brewers say we want more. The county commissioners say the same thing. It is fair to assume that the average citizen agrees with them. Well, let everybody take heart. The first of May is close at hand; that is the beginning of the liquor year; license-prices are down; the commissioners will soon be in frequent session; the police investigation will be over the tramp will go out to look for a country residence; all will go merrily; and the black record of another year will be

One case more right here among us, On the 18th of March a woman was arrested for drunkenness, hopelessly intoxicated. That seems bad enough, but that was not the worst. Tugging at her skirts as she staggered through the streets was a little girl three years of watching the operations of Mr. Mcage, and in the mother's arms was a Gowan's man holsting a large safe into nursing infant. At police headquarters it was discovered that not only was the woman intoxicated, but also the baby, ing. The safe belonged to the Charles Tim eyes were glassy and its conduct indicated that the liquor which the mother had drunk had reached that nursing child. What an infinite wrong is being wrought for that child by the consent of the state, and to what an appalling heritage will it by and by awake!

When in a city with all the refinement of ours men are allowed to rob other men of their manhood, of their self-con- ters. The rooms are large and fronting trol, of their perceptions of right and wrong so that they strike down their them light and pleasant. Room No. 1 is fellow men with a death blow in the a large office and will be used as ; streets, and to rob women of the white general business room, while the lower of their womanhood, and to rob smaller room will be Mr. Scranton's cursing infants of any fair chance at private office. The increase of the busilife in either world, are there not por-tents in the heavens?

If things were getting better there located quarters. might be something to hope for, or even if the state, or even if the church of esus Christ were seriously waking up o conditions as they are. But while the roduct of American breweries amountof to sixty-two million gallons of malt louor in 1863, the output had risen to ling. ore than 600 millions in less than twenty years. Between 1840 and 1884 the notified of the meetings by the news ent.; of wine 400 per cent; of beer 1,675 er cent. These figures are not evolved days of each month, unless otherwise cut of the imagination of some temper- voted,

ance fanatic, but are the cold-blooded statistics of the government's official reports. What makes this tremendous drain upon the nation's life more ominous is that we live in the temperate tone, where nervous disorders reach their climax. It is the nervous temperament which turns toward alcohol mos eagerly, and it is that very tempera-

ment which somest falls a victim-What havoe then is being wrought amid the social and industrial conditions of American life. The working influence to fight off the saloons from his own neighborhood; he is thickly surrounded by temptations; he squan ders his money in drink while at the same time drink is making his labor less valuable. It is said that the work earn £600,000,000 a year and spend 60 per cent, of it in drink. But other classes of society are in no less dansaloon, but finds the club house is serv ing the same grim master and is likely to meet the same dishonored end.

I need hardly say more of the saloon as a breeding place for crime since not hard to read what He thinks of the have given you many statistics at an liquor traffic. Publics Syrus says: earlier time. Yet I would like to call the attention of the people of Connec-The Koran says: "There is a devil in every berry of the grape." Shakespears says: "O thou invisible spirit of sioners from all counties of this state. ticut to one fact: According to the the number imprisoned in the jails o Connecticut during the past year has been 5.983, of whom 189 were strictly temperate and 5,794 were drinking men and women. It costs in Hartford county, for example \$15.68 for every arrest The selectmen tell us that of 6,379 state paupers, 4,532 were rendered paupers by drink. Here is a great field for the mathematical taxpayer in some hour of solitude.

Nor need I spend much time to-night on the baneful political power of the saloon, as I have already spoken of that in these addresses. But there is no quarters of the sky fuller of portent than this. Possibly the red hand of the saloon has not been thrust into your home and torn out your heart and you may not have been conscious of the steady drain which it made upon you through the tax collector. every citizen of the state must admit If he will be thoughtful for a moment that his life as a citizen is a different thing, because of the omnipotence of the saloon in politics. Our political integrity has long since been corrupted and great parties whose best elements would scorn coalition with evil, bow subservient to the voice of power, because political leaders say it is necessary. There is no eye upon American politics so keen as that of the liquor power and no lifted finger so imperious. No machine known to American politics works with such cision and with such assurance as this, Here is the most malign force in society which gets the largest concessions by law and then breaks down the few Germany itself. In England a ringing barriers which law has left, without a

socialist, with seven other labor mem-bers of parliament and 132 leaders of than any other people in the world. But do you remember Dr. Paton's mis But we are getting some telling lession to America two years ago? He sons nearer home, Since last we met is that grand old man, seventy years in this place you have been reading of of age, who gave his life for the sake one of the most brutal murders of the century. In the death of that depraved of the South seas. Human life was not woman in New York at the hands of worth the snap of your finger when he that deprayed man, rum played its im- went there, but he has seen 14,000 of those pagans bowing the knee to Christ. our own city a man has been examined He came back two years ago-what and held for murder because of a fatal for? Partly to get missionaries, but mainly to persuade the enlightened government of this proud Christian nation to prohibit its traders from selling rum to those poor savages on it, a godly Scotchman who had given sixth and eighth. The Yale boys got his whole life and had almost died a their runs in the first, second, fourth, score of deaths for the sake of saving those cannibula coming across all the seas that he as a suppliant might beg the government of the United States not to drive them back to barbarism, diabolism and hell.

But the case is worse than that. We are the only great power to-day which refuses such a request. Great Britain long since issued the prohibition. France and Germany-Roman Catholic France, wine-producing France, and Germany affoat in beer, said: "We will join America in such prohibition, if America will act we will." And Amerca wouldn't act!

Bacchus and Gambrinus put us to shame. They are better temperance reformers than we. Benjamin Harrison. the first citizen of the United States at that time, rose from the presidential chair long enough to express sympathy; and the venerable missionary went away sorrowful, with a sigh upon his lips: "What we want is something more than sympathy"; and the political wheels went on grinding; and the traffic in human life and hope on in the South seas at the hands of American citizens.

An iron hand is on the physical, the material, the industrial, the social, the political life amid which our lot is east. Toward whichever quarter we turn our sye, the heavens are full of portents. Is there any hope?

That shall be our final question,

In New Quarters.

A large crowd was attracted on Chapel street Saturday afternoon Gowan's men holsting a large safe into the window of the new Hubbinger build-W. Scranton company, the investment brokers, who have engaged a suite of rooms on the first floor of the building and will open there for business this

morning. The company are to be congratulated in being able to secure such fine quaron Chapel street as they do, makes ness of the company compelled then to seek more commodious and centrally

Grace Hospital.

A meeting of the Women's board of Grace hospital will be held this aftermoon at 3 o'clock at the hospital build

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ter's Fine Work. New York, April 7 .- It was a good game that Yale put up yesterday at the Polo grounds with New York's Giants, although the score 7 to 5 was In the latter's favor. About 1,500 spectators attended, despite the chill pneumonta nir.

This was the first game that Yale has played against the New Yorks since 1893. There was considerable

cheering. Carter, the king of all the college itchers, was in the box for the New Haven boys for six innings, and, although Captain Davis' crew found his curves rather often at the outset, they became hard picking in the fourth, fifth and sixth innings. Carter's equal as a pitcher was probably never seen before in a college team. He fielded sharply, and when it came to wielding the ash he pushed out a three-bagget that made the student crowd roar with glee. Trudeau relieved Carter, and did

pretty well. Fine fielding was done by Keator, also of Yale. He took care of right and did his work almost as well as "Mike" Tiernan plays the position, which is saying considerable. Altogether, Yale's team is very strong. game put up by it yesterday was nervy and aggressive from the start. collegians were unfortunate at the start in the enforced retirement of First Baseman Stephenson. One of Meekin's inshoots landed on his nose. It was thought that it was broken. McCand-

less took his place. The victors clinched the game in the third inning, when three runs came across the plate. They got two in the the other side of the world. Think of first inning, also, and one each in the seventh and ninth innings.

JEWETT'S GREAT FEAT. Performance Under Admiral Foote Post's

Auspices. H. Jewett, the magician, to be at the Hyperion theater on Easter Monday vening, has arranged an especially atractive program for the entertainment to be given under the auspices of Admiral Foote post No. 17, G. A. R. He will produce among other startling effects, Hermann's great bullet-catching feat, in which he will be shot at y a squad of militiamen and be unharmed. He will catch the bullets between his fingers and return them to the committee, who will have marked

At Harmonie Hall.

An entertainment will be given tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at Har-monie hall by the Mishkan Israel The first part will consist of a minstrel performance full of local hits and songs. The bones are L. M. Sonnenberg and Milton Machol; tam-bourines, Albert Milander and A. J. ohnson; interlocuter, H. M. Machol; others, L. M. Metzger, I. M. Heller, P. Buxbaum, T. Besser, J. I. Strouse and M. Lambert. The minstrel performance will be followed by the one-act comedy My Lord in Livery," the cast, of which will consist Miss Belle Feucht-wanger, Miss Mina Mann, Miss Jennie Weil, Mrs. Albert Milander, Milton Machol and Henry Fisher. Tickets can be obtained at Shoninger's music store or at box office. A large attendance is expected.

Dr. Paul Skiff Recovering.

The host of friends of Dr. Paul C. Skiff will be delighted to learn that he very much improved. Yesterday he was able to be up and about the house for the first time since he was taken ill. about three weeks ago.

West Side Club.

Rev. C.S. MacFarland of Yale addressd the West Side club at their club ouse on Howard avenue vesterday afhis subject being "Christian Manhood; What it is and What it

CORNER STONE LAID,

Despite the rain there were nearly wo hundred people present under umbrellas at the corner of Orange and Humphrey streets about 3:30 o'clock on Saturday afternoon to witness the laving of the corner stone of the new St. John's Episcopal church now in process of construction in the lot on the south-

A temporary awning was put up large mough to cover the heads of the clergymen who took part in the cereme

The exercises were opened by the reading of the ritual by Rev. Stewart deans, pastor of the church. Bishop Williams continued the reading f the service, and after the copper box ontaining the memorabilia had been placed in the receptacle provided for it in the foundation, George M. Grant, the builder, who is a member of the build-ng committee, laid the corner stone. nop Williams then took the mason's nallet in his hand and tapping thrice or ts surface formally pronounced it laid "In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost." Then followed prayer and be recital of the creed.

Bishop Williams announced that on ecount of the inclemency of the reather it had been decided to omit the ddress by Rev. Mr. Lines. Bishop Williams then spoke a few words of ongratulation.

The clergymen present, besides those mentioned above, were Hev. Messrs. Morgan, Macbeth and Beardsley,

People Who Are Ill. Alderman John F. Shanley is confined o his home, 211 Franklin street, sufering from a severe attack of the

Patrolman Patrick Doherty of police headquarters, who has been seriously to be able to return to work this week.

Died at the Almshouse.

George Benson, colored, fifty-five years old, died at the almshouse year terday afternoon from a stroke of par He had been an inmate of institution for some time and had relatives in this city.

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YALE NOTES.

The New Church on Orange Street-St. Dr. Twichell of Hartford-Jon Jefferson to Lecture.

Rev. Dr. Joseph Twichell of Hartford preached in Battell chapel yesterday morning from the text found in Galatians 1:15. The seniors appeared for the first time in the caps and gowns. In the evening he addressed the general religious meeting of the university in Dwight hall.

The lecture committee of the Yale has been corresponding loseph Jefferson, the actor, since January, with a view to securing a lecture by him before the students of the university. Mr. Jefferson has promised to lecture here at his earliest convenience, and that will probably be in the near future.

Death of Mrs. Abbie Stanford.

Mrs. Abby Stanford, wife of Edward Stanford of 52 York street, died at her ate residence Saturday night after a orlef illness of only a few days' tion. Mrs. Stanford was one of the bes known Irish residents of the city. Sho was born in Ireland fifty years ago and son after emigrated to this country She was a consisient member of St. John's R. C. church, and beside her husband five children survive her, four oys and one daughter. Her funeral will take place from St. John's church this morning at 9 o'clock. The inter ment will be in St. Bernard's ceme-

Madam Potvin's spring opening of French millinery Tuesday and Wed-nesday, April 9 and 10, at 334 Grand Ave.

Go to Augur's for Easter tokens.

Financial.

The Majority of Stocks Were Lower Than in the Previous Week.

New York, April 6.-In only one stock, New York and New England, did the transactions to-day foot up 10,000 shares and the fluctuations in it were parrow. Jersey Central and General Electric were conspicuously weak. The decline in the first is indicative of the temper of the bears regarding the anthracite coal situation, while the market for General Electric is beginning to show the after effects of preposterous attempts to deceive the street relative to chimercial alliance between the principal electrical manufacturing companies. When the story of this barefaced effort to humbur Wall street is told as it doubtless will be some day, the speculative community will be amazed at its abject credulity.

To-day's statement of averages of the Associated Banks shows a further derease in the loans of over \$2,000,000. The banks have lost \$1,100,000 in specie which, in computing their holdings of awful money, is largely offset by an inrease of \$770,000 in legal tenders. The intraction in the loans and the loss n specie are both attributed to the takng up of bonds purchased from the syn

As compared with the closing prices f last Saturday, the majority of stocks are lower. The more important net decent., General Electric 24, Western Union 24, American Sugar Refining 2, Hocking Valley and Susquehanna and Western preferred 1% each, Burlington and Quincy and Louisville and Nashville 1 each, American Cotton Oil and Rock Island % each, Atchison and Reading % éach, Southern Railway preferred %, Northwest, New England and Wa-bash preferred & per cent. each. The noteworthy advances are in American Tobacco 2 per cent. Manhattan 1%, Tennessee Coal and Iron 1%, and Kanas and Texas preferred % per cent. Following are the closing prices reported by Prince & Whitely, bankers and brokers, 46 Brpadway, New York, and 15 Center street, New Haven:

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